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Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

Highlights – Annual Averages

- British Columbia's annual average all-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) was 2.1% higher in 2008 compared to 2007. Five provinces, including BC, had annual rates below or equal to the national average of 2.3%. New Brunswick had the lowest annual inflation rate at 1.7%, followed by BC and Quebec (+2.1%). Consumer prices in Prince Edward Island were 3.4% higher than in 2007, the highest annual inflation rate among the provinces, followed by Saskatchewan with a 3.3% annual average increase.

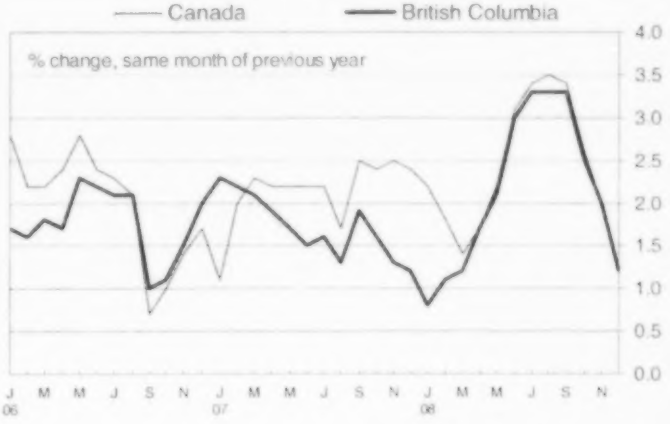
- Among the metropolitan areas, the highest annual inflation was seen in Saskatoon (+3.9%), followed by Edmonton (+3.4%) and Charlottetown (+3.3%). The lowest annual rates were in Victoria and Saint John (both at 1.8%), while Vancouver prices rose 2.4% compared to 2007.

- Higher energy prices (+9.5%) were the main contributors to BC's annual inflation, driven primarily by a 25.2% rise in the cost of fuel oil. Higher gasoline prices (+12.5%) were also to blame. Food prices rose an average of 3.3% in 2008, while clothing and footwear prices dropped 0.8% from 2007. Shelter costs overall rose 3.1%, with renters paying 2.0% more and homeowners seeing a 2.8% increase in costs compared to 2007. Tuition fees rose 2.5% in 2008, while prices for alcoholic beverages & tobacco products rose 1.3%.

Note: Statistics Canada will release the January Consumer Price Index on February 20, 2009.

2002=100	All-Items Index	% Change from	
	December 2008	November 2008	December 2007
Canada	113.3	-0.7	1.2
BC	111.4	-0.8	1.2
Vancouver	111.9	-0.9	1.3
Victoria	111.0	-0.8	1.2
Core Canada[1]	112.6	-0.4	2.4

BC and Canada Inflation Trend



2002=100	2008 Annual Average Index	2008 Annual Average % Change	2007 Annual Average % Change
Canada	114.1	2.3	2.2
BC	112.3	2.1	1.8
Vancouver	112.8	2.4	2.0
Victoria	111.8	1.8	1.2

[1]**The Core CPI for Canada:** Defined by the Bank of Canada as the All-items index excluding the eight most volatile components (fruit, vegetables, gasoline, fuel oil, natural gas, mortgage interest, inter-city transportation and tobacco products). Also excluded is the effect of changes in indirect taxes on the remaining components.

Consumer Price Index—Terms and Definitions

Base Effect

The 12-month variation in the CPI is calculated by comparing the current month's index with the index for the same month of the previous year. The 12-month change is represented by the difference in the indexes of the reference months. Thus, the 12-month variation can decrease from one month to the next merely because the base serving as the point of comparison increased.

Source: Statistics Canada

Twelve-Month Percent Changes

Also referred to as "year-over-year", twelve-month percent changes compare indexes for a given month to indexes for the same month of the previous year. As they compare two points in time, they are influenced by unusual or temporary events that can affect either of the two months. Their calculation does not include any of the intervening monthly indexes.

Source: Statistics Canada

Annual Average Index

Annual average indexes are calculated by averaging index levels over the 12 months of the calendar year. These data should not be confused with the 12-month change in the CPI. By the nature of the calculation, averaging indexes over the calendar year gives a better representation of price behaviour over the whole year and is closer to the concept of an average price. The use of annual averages is considered the preferred option for indexation purposes.

Source: Statistics Canada

Latest Twelve-Month Average Index

The latest twelve-month average index (ending in the current month) is a 12-month moving average of the indexes of the most recent 12 months. It is calculated like the annual average index. Hence, in theory, the December twelve-month average index would be equal to the annual average index for the calendar year. However, in practice, when BC Stats makes these calculations from published data, the December 12-month average index may differ from Statistics Canada's published annual average index due to rounding.

Source: Statistics Canada

More information about the concepts and use of the CPI is available online in the Statistics Canada publication *Your Guide to the Consumer Price Index*, (catalogue 62-557-XIB) (http://www.statcan.gc.ca/bsolc/olc-cel/olc-cel?catno=62-557-X&lang=eng)

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December 2008 Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index	% Change		Index	% Change	
	December 2008	November 2008	December 2007	December 2008	November 2008	December 2007
All-Items Index (2002=100)	**111.4**	**-0.8**	**1.2**	**113.3**	**-0.7**	**1.2**
Food	**116.4**	**0.3**	**6.3**	**119.8**	**0.3**	**7.3**
Food Purchased From Stores	116.4	0.4	8.2	120.0	0.3	9.0
Meat	114.9	0.8	6.8	116.1	-1.1	5.5
Fish & Other Seafood	97.7	-1.0	2.4	102.6	-1.0	3.7
Dairy Products & Eggs	120.9	0.6	6.9	126.9	0.2	6.0
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	130.0	-0.4	11.3	137.2	0.1	12.4
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	115.7	1.8	9.2	114.6	0.3	11.4
Fresh Fruit	114.6	1.6	13.1	111.9	-0.4	18.9
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	112.5	1.8	17.7	113.9	3.5	21.8
Fresh Vegetables	111.4	2.8	21.1	112.3	4.6	26.9
Other Food Products	111.7	-0.5	4.3	116.6	0.6	6.5
Coffee & Tea	114.9	0.5	4.9	115.3	0.5	4.7
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	89.3	-7.9	-5.7	105.9	0.0	1.7
Food Purchased From Restaurants	116.7	0.1	3.0	119.1	0.1	3.2
Shelter	**114.6**	**-0.3**	**1.9**	**123.4**	**0.0**	**3.5**
Rented Accommodation	107.1	0.2	2.1	108.7	0.1	1.7
Owned Accommodation	116.4	-0.3	1.1	126.6	0.2	3.4
Property taxes	129.2	0.0	4.3	124.1	0.0	3.2
Water, Fuel & Electricity	120.1	-1.0	4.7	135.5	-0.5	6.2
Electricity	109.8	0.0	0.4	116.3	1.0	3.5
Piped Gas	126.8	0.0	10.9	152.4	0.5	18.4
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	174.8	-17.0	-10.2	172.3	-12.0	-13.5
Household Operations & Furnishings	**103.9**	**-0.2**	**1.2**	**105.5**	**0.0**	**1.9**
Household Operations	109.2	0.1	2.6	111.4	0.1	3.8
Household Furnishings	94.5	-0.6	-1.3	95.5	-0.2	-1.3
Clothing & Footwear	**96.2**	**-5.1**	**-2.0**	**91.3**	**-3.0**	**-2.6**
Clothing	88.5	-6.7	-4.4	85.4	-3.6	-4.2
Women's Clothing	88.0	-7.9	-5.8	84.8	-2.8	-4.7
Men's Clothing	92.8	-5.9	-2.3	88.3	-5.3	-3.1
Children's Clothing	80.8	-2.7	-4.2	80.2	-2.6	-4.6
Footwear	100.4	-4.7	0.0	92.6	-3.0	-2.4
Transportation	**110.9**	**-2.7**	**-4.1**	**110.3**	**-2.6**	**-6.1**
Private Transportation	109.2	-3.6	-5.5	108.9	-3.1	-7.3
Operation of Motor Vehicles	121.2	-5.5	-6.6	122.7	-4.9	-10.1
Gasoline	117.5	-13.8	-20.6	111.3	-11.8	-25.8
Public Transportation	124.1	3.3	7.1	124.0	3.0	5.3
Local & Commuter	122.8	0.0	6.2	126.2	0.0	3.6
Inter-City	124.7	4.6	7.4	122.7	4.9	6.1
Health & Personal Care	**109.0**	**-0.9**	**2.3**	**109.9**	**-0.2**	**2.0**
Health Care	114.7	-0.3	3.1	113.9	0.2	2.2
Personal Care	102.4	-1.6	1.5	106.2	-0.6	2.0
Recreation, Education & Reading	**109.0**	**-0.4**	**0.9**	**101.2**	**-0.7**	**0.0**
Recreation	97.4	-0.6	0.3	94.5	-1.2	-1.0
Education & Reading	146.5	0.2	2.6	122.1	0.4	2.9
Education	158.3	0.0	2.1	125.6	0.0	3.0
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	107.5	1.3	5.4	110.1	2.4	2.4
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**120.9**	**0.2**	**1.3**	**128.7**	**0.2**	**2.0**
Alcoholic Beverages	111.6	0.1	1.5	112.4	0.0	1.6
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	111.5	0.2	2.2	110.3	0.1	1.5
Beer Purchased from Stores	119.2	0.8	2.2	113.9	0.0	1.6
Liquor Purchased from Stores	110.4	-0.3	4.4	109.7	0.0	2.7
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	131.8	0.3	0.8	143.1	0.2	2.4
Cigarettes	131.8	0.3	0.8	143.1	0.2	2.4
All-Items Excluding Food	110.3	-1.2	0.1	112.0	-0.9	0.0
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	111.0	-0.9	1.1	112.7	-0.7	1.2
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	109.7	-0.4	1.2	111.0	-0.3	1.5

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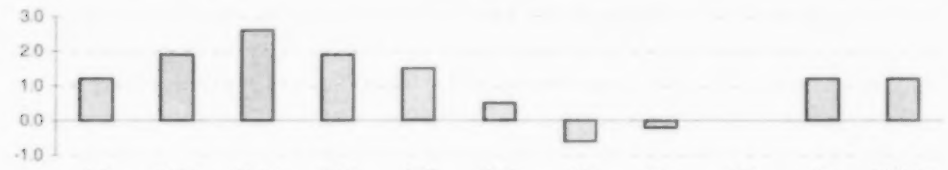
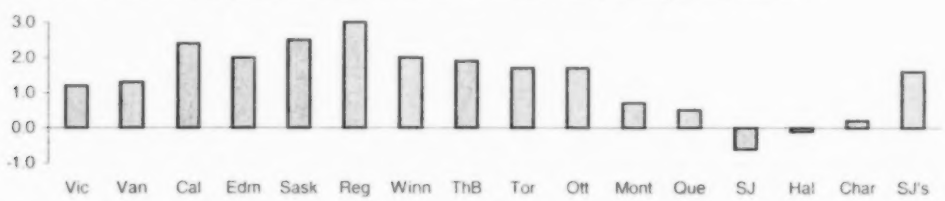
Provinces	Monthly Index		% Change	Annual Index		% Change
	December 2008	November 2008	December 2007	2008	2007	2007/08
Canada	113.3	-0.7	1.2	114.1	111.5	2.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	113.1	-1.0	1.2	114.3	111.1	2.9
Prince Edward Island	114.7	-1.9	0.0	117.5	113.6	3.4
Nova Scotia	113.4	-1.4	-0.2	115.9	112.5	3.0
New Brunswick	111.2	-1.2	-0.6	113.2	111.3	1.7
Quebec	111.7	-0.6	0.5	112.7	110.4	2.1
Ontario	112.8	-0.6	1.5	113.3	110.8	2.3
Manitoba	113.0	-0.7	1.9	113.4	110.9	2.3
Saskatchewan	115.8	-0.8	2.6	115.9	112.2	3.3
Alberta	121.2	-0.3	1.9	121.6	117.9	3.1
British Columbia	**111.4**	**-0.8**	**1.2**	**112.3**	**110.0**	**2.1**
Whitehorse	113.9	-0.6	3.0	113.4	109.5	3.6
Yellowknife	115.4	-0.6	3.1	115.2	110.8	4.0
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	112.4	0.4	3.4	110.4	107.9	2.3

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year, Canada and the Provinces



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index		% Change	Annual Index		% Change
	December 2008	November 2008	December 2007	2008	2007	2007/08
St. John's	113.3	-0.8	1.6	114.0	110.7	3.0
Charlottetown	114.5	-1.8	0.2	116.9	113.2	3.3
Halifax	113.0	-1.3	-0.1	115.2	112.0	2.9
Saint John	111.2	-1.3	-0.6	113.2	111.2	1.8
Quebec City	111.3	-0.7	0.5	112.4	110.1	2.1
Montreal	111.8	-0.5	0.7	112.6	110.3	2.1
Ottawa	112.7	-0.5	1.7	113.1	110.7	2.2
Toronto	113.0	-0.4	1.7	113.1	110.5	2.4
Thunder Bay	110.1	-0.6	1.9	110.4	108.1	2.1
Winnipeg	112.9	-0.6	2.0	113.3	110.8	2.3
Regina	115.6	-0.7	3.0	115.2	111.7	3.1
Saskatoon	116.9	-0.8	2.5	117.1	112.7	3.9
Edmonton	121.0	-0.3	2.0	121.4	117.4	3.4
Calgary	121.8	-0.2	2.4	121.8	118.0	3.2
Vancouver	**111.9**	**-0.9**	**1.3**	**112.8**	**110.2**	**2.4**
Victoria	**111.0**	**-0.8**	**1.2**	**111.8**	**109.8**	**1.8**

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year, Metropolitan Areas



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British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing & Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation & Education	Alcohol & Tobacco
2005	106.3	2.0	104.5	106.2	102.2	99.9	110.5	104.7	107.5	114.3
2006	108.1	1.7	106.5	108.7	102.0	99.9	114.2	106.4	107.5	116.0
2007	110.0	1.8	109.3	110.9	102.6	99.9	116.2	107.9	109.0	119.1
2008	112.3	2.1	112.9	114.3	103.4	99.1	119.1	108.5	109.8	120.7
		Month / Year								
2007										
Jan	109.0	0.2 / 2.3	108.8	109.9	102.7	101.0	114.1	107.1	106.4	118.1
Feb	109.1	0.1 / 2.2	109.4	110.1	102.6	101.0	113.5	107.7	106.9	118.5
Mar	109.5	0.4 / 2.1	109.2	110.2	103.0	100.9	115.5	108.1	107.3	118.2
Apr	109.9	0.4 / 1.9	109.5	109.9	102.4	100.6	118.0	108.3	107.3	118.4
May	110.5	0.5 / 1.7	108.8	110.0	102.2	99.0	121.0	107.9	109.6	118.9
Jun	110.3	-0.2 / 1.5	109.7	110.4	102.9	96.5	118.3	108.5	109.8	119.3
Jul	110.5	0.2 / 1.6	109.7	110.9	102.8	97.9	117.4	108.3	110.9	119.3
Aug	110.4	-0.1 / 1.3	109.8	111.1	103.3	99.3	115.5	108.5	111.0	119.6
Sep	110.5	0.1 / 1.9	108.7	111.4	102.8	102.5	116.0	108.5	111.1	119.9
Oct	110.0	-0.5 / 1.6	109.0	111.8	102.1	101.9	113.9	107.8	110.1	119.6
Nov	110.1	0.1 / 1.3	109.3	112.2	102.0	99.7	115.2	107.0	109.0	119.7
Dec	110.1	0.0 / 1.2	109.5	112.5	102.7	98.2	115.6	106.5	108.0	119.4
2008										
Jan	109.9	-0.2 / 0.8	109.6	112.6	102.2	98.0	115.4	106.9	106.7	119.1
Feb	110.3	0.4 / 1.1	110.0	112.9	102.5	99.1	115.5	107.0	107.4	120.1
Mar	110.8	0.5 / 1.2	109.7	113.1	102.5	101.1	117.1	107.3	108.2	120.7
Apr	111.8	0.9 / 1.7	110.3	113.8	103.8	100.8	119.0	108.9	109.1	120.6
May	112.8	0.9 / 2.1	111.8	114.1	103.8	97.3	122.4	108.6	111.2	120.8
June	113.6	0.7 / 3.0	113.1	114.1	103.6	97.6	125.2	108.5	111.4	120.7
July	114.2	0.5 / 3.3	113.9	115.4	103.5	97.9	125.7	107.9	111.9	121.0
Aug	114.0	-0.2 / 3.3	114.1	115.5	103.4	98.7	124.0	109.3	111.8	121.3
Sep	114.1	0.1 / 3.3	114.7	115.6	104.3	101.3	122.2	109.1	111.9	121.1
Oct	112.8	-1.1 / 2.5	114.8	115.3	103.6	99.6	118.0	109.3	109.9	121.0
Nov	112.3	-0.4 / 2.0	116.1	114.9	104.1	101.4	114.0	110.0	109.4	120.7
Dec	111.4	-0.8 / 1.2	116.4	114.6	103.9	96.2	110.9	109.0	109.0	120.9

Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing & Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation & Education	Alcohol & Tobacco
2005	107.0	2.2	106.4	109.2	101.7	97.6	112.0	104.6	100.8	119.1
2006	109.1	2.0	108.9	113.1	102.2	95.8	115.2	105.9	100.6	121.7
2007	111.5	2.2	111.8	116.9	103.2	95.7	117.1	107.3	101.8	125.5
2008	114.1	2.3	115.7	122.0	104.6	93.8	119.5	108.8	102.2	127.5
		Month / Year								
2007										
Jan	109.4	0.0 / 1.1	110.9	114.8	102.4	94.2	113.3	106.3	99.2	124.2
Feb	110.2	0.7 / 2.0	112.6	114.9	103.0	95.4	114.2	106.5	100.2	124.2
Mar	111.1	0.8 / 2.3	112.2	115.4	103.2	97.5	117.7	106.4	100.9	124.1
Apr	111.6	0.5 / 2.2	112.2	116.2	103.3	97.7	118.6	106.8	100.9	124.5
May	112.1	0.4 / 2.2	112.5	116.0	103.0	96.0	120.7	107.4	102.2	125.2
Jun	111.9	-0.2 / 2.2	112.6	116.8	103.0	93.1	119.2	107.9	102.5	125.7
Jul	112.0	0.1 / 2.2	112.3	117.0	103.2	94.6	118.5	107.5	103.0	126.0
Aug	111.7	-0.3 / 1.7	111.8	117.6	103.5	95.4	116.3	107.6	102.9	126.1
Sep	111.9	0.2 / 2.5	110.9	117.8	103.7	97.4	116.9	107.6	103.4	126.6
Oct	111.6	-0.3 / 2.4	110.7	118.7	103.4	97.1	115.2	107.5	102.7	126.3
Nov	111.9	0.3 / 2.5	111.3	118.8	103.3	96.4	116.7	108.0	102.0	126.5
Dec	112.0	0.1 / 2.4	111.7	119.2	103.5	93.7	117.5	107.7	101.2	126.2
2008										
Jan	111.8	-0.2 / 2.2	112.4	119.2	103.3	92.2	117.6	107.5	99.6	126.4
Feb	112.2	0.4 / 1.8	112.8	119.6	104.1	94.1	117.0	107.7	100.8	126.8
Mar	112.6	0.4 / 1.4	112.6	120.1	104.1	96.0	117.8	107.9	101.3	126.6
Apr	113.5	0.8 / 1.7	113.5	121.2	104.4	94.3	120.1	108.3	101.6	126.7
May	114.6	1.0 / 2.2	114.6	121.6	104.3	93.0	123.6	108.6	102.9	127.4
June	115.4	0.7 / 3.1	115.8	122.3	104.3	92.5	125.8	108.7	102.9	127.7
July	115.8	0.3 / 3.4	116.5	123.3	104.4	93.3	125.7	108.5	103.2	127.6
Aug	115.6	-0.2 / 3.5	116.8	123.8	104.4	93.7	123.1	109.3	103.5	127.5
Sep	115.7	0.1 / 3.4	117.1	123.1	105.6	96.1	122.4	109.4	103.9	128.0
Oct	114.5	-1.0 / 2.6	117.4	123.2	105.2	94.4	117.0	109.2	103.0	128.0
Nov	114.1	-0.3 / 2.0	119.5	123.4	105.5	94.1	113.2	110.1	101.9	128.5
Dec	113.3	-0.7 / 1.2	119.8	123.4	105.5	91.3	110.3	109.9	101.2	128.7

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		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	2005	102.4	106.6	119.0	162.4	105.6	135.8	123.2	106.7	106.0	105.2
	2006	102.8	109.8	120.6	167.3	107.9	145.2	129.0	108.5	107.8	106.6
	2007	104.0	112.8	118.4	175.9	108.1	150.7	131.4	110.1	109.7	108.2
	2008	106.1	116.0	126.3	220.3	111.4	169.6	143.9	112.2	112.0	109.3
2007	Jan	103.2	111.1	119.7	179.6	109.8	140.2	127.5	109.0	108.6	107.3
	Feb	103.3	111.6	119.7	168.4	108.8	137.5	125.6	109.0	108.8	107.5
	Mar	103.4	111.6	119.7	171.1	108.8	148.9	131.2	109.6	109.2	107.6
	Apr	103.5	111.7	119.7	174.8	104.9	159.4	135.1	110.0	109.6	107.7
	May	103.6	112.2	119.7	171.5	101.1	171.6	140.3	110.9	110.2	108.2
	Jun	103.9	111.9	119.7	171.5	108.7	157.0	134.7	110.4	110.0	108.2
	Jul	104.0	112.7	119.7	171.5	109.0	155.5	134.0	110.7	110.2	108.5
	Aug	104.2	113.0	119.7	171.5	109.0	149.0	130.6	110.5	110.1	108.6
	Sep	104.4	113.3	120.2	171.1	109.4	150.0	131.4	110.9	110.2	109.0
	Oct	104.6	114.2	114.3	174.7	109.4	142.6	126.5	110.2	109.7	108.7
	Nov	104.8	114.6	114.3	190.7	109.4	148.3	129.7	110.3	109.8	108.4
	Dec	104.9	115.1	114.3	194.7	109.4	147.9	129.6	110.2	109.8	108.4
2008	Jan	105.1	114.8	116.9	193.0	108.6	148.8	130.3	110.0	109.6	108.1
	Feb	105.3	115.2	116.9	193.6	108.6	153.0	132.5	110.4	110.0	108.3
	Mar	105.5	115.3	116.9	213.6	108.6	162.9	138.0	111.0	110.5	108.6
	Apr	105.6	115.8	116.9	227.3	113.5	172.0	144.0	112.1	111.5	109.2
	May	105.8	116.1	116.9	237.9	113.5	185.3	151.1	113.0	112.5	109.5
	June	106.0	116.0	117.6	237.9	113.5	197.7	157.5	113.6	113.3	109.7
	July	106.3	116.0	144.5	240.6	113.5	204.5	166.1	114.2	113.9	109.5
	Aug	106.4	116.0	144.5	240.6	113.5	194.8	161.2	114.0	113.7	109.7
	Sep	106.5	116.2	144.5	243.4	113.5	192.3	159.9	114.0	113.8	109.8
	Oct	106.8	117.4	126.8	230.0	109.8	169.9	144.0	112.4	112.5	109.5
	Nov	106.9	116.8	126.8	210.7	109.8	136.3	126.5	111.6	112.0	110.1
	Dec	107.1	116.4	126.8	174.8	109.8	117.5	116.2	110.3	111.0	109.7

CANADA

		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	2005	103.4	109.2	136.3	158.7	104.9	132.6	126.3	107.1	106.5	105.3
	2006	104.4	113.7	140.5	165.9	110.8	139.8	132.8	109.2	108.6	106.9
	2007	106.0	119.3	131.3	172.5	112.9	146.1	135.9	111.4	110.9	109.0
	2008	107.8	124.6	146.8	225.4	113.2	164.7	149.3	113.8	113.5	110.3
2007	Jan	105.1	116.7	127.7	163.7	111.9	126.4	125.2	109.1	108.8	107.6
	Feb	105.3	117.0	124.0	163.4	111.7	131.3	127.1	109.7	109.6	108.0
	Mar	105.4	117.5	128.2	169.7	111.5	147.6	135.9	110.9	110.6	108.5
	Apr	105.6	117.9	139.8	171.3	111.5	151.4	139.1	111.4	111.0	108.7
	May	105.7	118.2	132.5	169.3	111.2	159.7	142.0	112.0	111.5	109.0
	Jun	105.9	118.7	137.7	169.3	113.0	153.1	140.1	111.8	111.3	109.0
	Jul	106.0	119.2	131.4	169.3	114.4	152.9	139.6	111.9	111.4	109.1
	Aug	106.3	119.8	132.5	169.3	115.5	145.4	136.4	111.7	111.1	109.2
	Sep	106.5	120.3	129.4	170.6	115.4	146.5	136.6	112.1	111.3	109.7
	Oct	106.6	121.6	133.7	173.3	114.2	141.7	134.5	111.8	111.0	109.6
	Nov	106.8	122.0	129.8	181.4	112.4	147.4	136.5	112.0	111.3	109.6
	Dec	106.9	122.4	128.7	199.3	112.4	149.9	138.2	112.0	111.4	109.4
2008	Jan	107.0	122.5	126.9	204.2	110.9	152.8	139.0	111.7	111.2	109.0
	Feb	107.2	123.0	127.1	202.4	110.8	153.7	139.4	112.1	111.6	109.4
	Mar	107.3	123.4	129.9	219.9	110.7	159.3	143.2	112.7	112.1	109.6
	Apr	107.4	123.9	138.0	234.5	112.5	168.9	150.2	113.5	113.0	109.9
	May	107.6	124.1	139.4	252.7	112.9	183.7	158.4	114.6	114.1	110.3
	June	107.7	124.4	150.9	252.7	112.9	194.3	165.3	115.3	114.8	110.3
	July	107.9	124.7	164.2	252.9	115.1	196.7	169.1	115.7	115.3	110.4
	Aug	108.1	124.8	174.5	252.9	114.6	183.7	164.0	115.4	115.1	110.5
	Sep	108.2	125.1	158.3	239.0	113.2	185.3	161.5	115.4	115.2	110.8
	Oct	108.4	126.2	148.6	225.5	113.2	160.5	147.5	113.9	113.9	110.6
	Nov	108.6	126.4	151.6	195.9	115.2	126.2	130.7	113.0	113.5	111.3
	Dec	108.7	126.6	152.4	172.3	116.3	111.3	123.0	112.0	112.7	111.0

** Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

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December 2008 Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

Vancouver

			% Change			Accommodation		Water, Fuel
	Year	All Items	Annual Average		Shelter	Rented	Owned	Electricity
	2005	106.0	1.9		105.1	102.7	105.3	109.5
	2006	108.0	1.9		108.2	103.2	109.5	112.4
	2007	110.2	2.0		111.8	104.3	114.9	112.3
	2008	112.8	2.4		115.6	106.5	119.0	118.4
			Month	Year				
2007	Jan	109.0	-0.1	2.6	110.2	103.5	112.0	115.0
	Feb	109.3	0.3	2.8	110.4	103.6	112.5	114.2
	Mar	109.6	0.3	2.5	110.5	103.7	112.6	114.2
	Apr	110.0	0.4	2.3	110.2	103.8	112.8	111.1
	May	110.6	0.5	2.0	110.6	103.9	113.9	109.2
	Jun	110.5	-0.1	1.9	111.6	104.2	114.5	112.9
	Jul	110.7	0.2	2.0	112.2	104.4	115.4	112.9
	Aug	110.6	-0.1	1.7	112.4	104.5	115.8	112.9
	Sep	110.7	0.1	2.1	112.6	104.8	115.9	113.3
	Oct	110.4	-0.3	1.8	113.1	105.1	117.2	110.4
	Nov	110.4	0.0	1.4	113.5	105.2	117.6	110.5
	Dec	110.5	0.1	1.3	113.7	105.3	118.0	110.5
2008	Jan	110.2	-0.3	1.1	113.8	105.5	117.7	112.6
	Feb	110.7	0.5	1.3	114.2	105.6	118.2	112.7
	Mar	111.2	0.5	1.5	114.2	105.8	118.2	112.8
	Apr	112.1	0.8	1.9	114.9	105.9	118.8	115.1
	May	113.2	1.0	2.4	115.3	106.2	119.2	115.2
	June	113.9	0.6	3.1	115.3	106.4	119.2	115.2
	July	114.7	0.7	3.6	117.0	106.7	119.2	128.5
	Aug	114.5	-0.2	3.5	117.0	106.8	119.1	128.5
	Sep	114.6	0.1	3.5	117.1	106.8	119.3	128.4
	Oct	113.4	-1.0	2.7	116.5	107.1	120.4	117.3
	Nov	112.9	-0.4	2.3	116.2	107.2	119.8	117.2
	Dec	111.9	-0.9	1.3	115.8	107.4	119.2	116.9

Victoria

			% Change			Accommodation		Water, Fuel
	Year	All Items	Annual Average		Shelter	Rented	Owned	Electricity
	2005	106.9	2.2		108.3	102.5	109.0	116.4
	2006	108.5	1.5		110.2	103.3	111.1	119.2
	2007	109.8	1.2		110.4	104.6	110.6	121.2
	2008	111.8	1.8		112.8	106.8	112.3	130.5
			Month	Year				
2007	Jan	109.1	0.1	1.8	110.6	103.9	110.9	122.9
	Feb	109.3	0.2	1.9	110.8	104.0	111.5	120.9
	Mar	109.7	0.4	2.0	110.8	104.1	111.4	121.0
	Apr	109.9	0.2	1.4	110.3	104.2	111.1	119.0
	May	110.2	0.3	0.9	110.0	104.3	110.8	116.4
	Jun	109.9	-0.3	0.8	109.5	104.7	109.2	121.4
	Jul	110.1	0.2	0.8	109.9	104.7	109.8	121.4
	Aug	110.0	-0.1	0.6	109.9	104.9	109.8	121.4
	Sep	110.1	0.1	1.2	110.4	105.1	110.4	121.5
	Oct	109.5	-0.5	0.8	110.4	105.0	110.4	121.7
	Nov	109.6	0.1	0.6	110.9	105.3	110.9	123.0
	Dec	109.7	0.1	0.6	111.3	105.5	111.4	123.8
2008	Jan	109.4	-0.3	0.3	111.3	105.7	111.2	124.9
	Feb	109.8	0.4	0.5	111.6	105.9	111.6	124.9
	Mar	110.4	0.5	0.6	111.9	106.2	111.7	126.8
	Apr	111.4	0.9	1.4	112.9	106.4	112.4	131.6
	May	112.3	0.8	1.9	112.9	106.5	112.3	132.8
	June	113.0	0.6	2.8	112.9	106.6	112.1	133.4
	July	113.3	0.3	2.9	113.0	106.8	112.1	134.4
	Aug	113.2	-0.1	2.9	113.2	107.2	112.1	134.4
	Sep	113.3	0.1	2.9	113.4	107.3	112.4	134.9
	Oct	112.3	-0.9	2.6	113.9	107.4	113.6	131.6
	Nov	111.9	-0.4	2.1	113.5	107.6	113.1	129.9
	Dec	111.0	-0.8	1.2	113.2	107.8	113.0	126.8

British Columbia Consumer Price Index, Annual Averages, Selected Items (2002=100)

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
ALL-ITEMS	**93.4**	**94.4**	**96.1**	**97.7**	**100.0**	**102.2**	**104.2**	**106.3**	**108.1**	**110.0**	112.3
% change from previous year	*0.3*	*1.1*	*1.8*	*1.7*	*2.4*	*2.2*	*2.0*	*2.0*	*1.7*	*1.8*	[redacted]
Food	93.3	94.2	93.7	97.4	100.0	101.9	103.2	104.5	106.5	109.3	112.9
% change from previous year	*1.5*	*1.0*	*-0.5*	*3.9*	*2.7*	*1.9*	*1.3*	*1.3*	*1.9*	*2.6*	*3.3*
Shelter	96.8	96.2	97.8	99.3	100.0	101.8	104.0	106.2	108.7	110.9	114.3
% change from previous year	*-1.8*	*-0.6*	*1.7*	*1.5*	*0.7*	*1.8*	*2.2*	*2.1*	*2.4*	*2.0*	*3.1*
Rented Accommodation	96.7	97.1	97.5	98.6	100.0	101.0	102.0	102.4	102.8	104.0	106.1
% change from previous year	*0.7*	*0.4*	*0.4*	*1.1*	*1.4*	*1.0*	*1.0*	*0.4*	*0.4*	*1.2*	*2.0*
Owned Accommodation	101.3	99.2	99.2	100.0	100.0	101.7	104.0	106.6	109.8	112.8	116.0
% change from previous year	*-3.6*	*-2.1*	*0.0*	*0.8*	*0.0*	*1.7*	*2.3*	*2.5*	*3.0*	*2.7*	*2.8*
Household Operations & Furnishings	94.2	95.5	96.7	97.5	100.0	101.1	101.6	102.2	102.0	102.6	103.4
% change from previous year	*3.5*	*1.4*	*1.3*	*0.8*	*2.6*	*1.1*	*0.5*	*0.6*	*-0.2*	*0.6*	*0.8*
Clothing & Footwear	96.7	97.8	99.5	100.0	100.0	98.9	99.5	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.1
% change from previous year	*1.8*	*1.1*	*1.7*	*0.5*	*0.0*	*-1.1*	*0.6*	*0.4*	*0.0*	*0.0*	*-0.8*
Transportation	88.4	91.3	96.3	96.6	100.0	103.2	106.1	110.5	114.2	116.2	119.1
% change from previous year	*-1.2*	*3.3*	*5.5*	*0.3*	*3.5*	*3.2*	*2.8*	*4.1*	*3.3*	*1.8*	*2.5*
Health & Personal Care	92.0	94.3	95.7	98.2	100.0	100.7	102.5	104.7	106.4	107.9	108.5
% change from previous year	*2.3*	*2.5*	*1.5*	*2.6*	*1.8*	*0.7*	*1.8*	*2.1*	*1.6*	*1.4*	*0.6*
Recreation, Education & Reading	94.7	95.5	97.3	98.4	100.0	103.5	106.1	107.5	107.5	109.0	109.8
% change from previous year	*0.7*	*0.8*	*1.9*	*1.1*	*1.6*	*3.5*	*2.5*	*1.3*	*0.0*	*1.4*	*0.7*
Tuition Fees	90.0	91.7	93.1	93.3	100.0	123.0	149.0	163.0	167.1	170.5	[redacted]
% change from previous year	*3.0*	*1.9*	*1.5*	*0.2*	*7.2*	*23.0*	*21.1*	*9.4*	*2.5*	*2.0*	[redacted]
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	85.7	86.1	86.6	88.7	100.0	107.4	112.8	114.3	116.0	119.1	120.7
% change from previous year	*1.3*	*0.5*	*0.6*	*2.4*	*12.7*	*7.4*	*5.0*	*1.3*	*1.5*	*2.7*	*1.3*
Cigarettes	75.4	76.3	77.2	79.7	100.0	114.9	121.7	123.0	124.8	129.8	130.7
% change from previous year	*1.5*	*1.2*	*1.2*	*3.2*	*25.5*	*14.9*	*5.9*	*1.1*	*1.5*	*4.0*	*0.7*
Special Aggregations:											
Energy	76.3	81.2	96.2	98.8	100.0	106.6	114.2	123.2	129.0	131.4	143.9
% change from previous year	*-6.4*	*6.4*	*18.5*	*2.7*	*1.2*	*6.6*	*7.1*	*7.9*	*4.7*	*1.9*	*9.5*
Electricity	98.4	99.3	99.4	86.4	100.0	100.6	105.5	105.6	107.9	108.1	111.4
% change from previous year	*-0.8*	*0.9*	*0.1*	*-13.1*	*15.7*	*0.6*	*4.9*	*0.1*	*2.2*	*0.2*	*3.1*
Natural Gas	58.8	65.1	84.3	112.2	100.0	112.7	110.7	119.0	120.6	118.4	126.3
% change from previous year	*2.1*	*10.7*	*29.5*	*33.1*	*-10.9*	*12.7*	*-1.8*	*7.5*	*1.3*	*-1.8*	*6.7*
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	78.9	81.0	104.6	107.2	100.0	114.8	129.2	162.4	167.3	175.9	220.3
% change from previous year	*-7.7*	*2.7*	*29.1*	*2.5*	*-6.7*	*14.8*	*12.5*	*25.7*	*3.0*	*5.1*	*25.2*
Motor Gasoline	72.6	79.1	99.0	99.0	100.0	109.4	121.0	135.8	145.2	150.7	169.6
% change from previous year	*-11.5*	*9.0*	*25.2*	*0.0*	*1.0*	*9.4*	*10.6*	*12.2*	*6.9*	*3.8*	*12.5*
All-Items Excluding Food	93.4	94.4	96.7	97.8	100.0	102.2	104.5	106.7	108.5	110.1	112.2
% change from previous year	*0.0*	*1.1*	*2.4*	*1.1*	*2.2*	*2.2*	*2.3*	*2.1*	*1.7*	*1.5*	*1.9*
All-Items Excluding Energy	94.8	95.5	96.1	97.6	100.0	101.9	103.5	105.0	106.6	108.4	110.0
% change from previous year	*0.9*	*0.7*	*0.6*	*1.6*	*2.5*	*1.9*	*1.6*	*1.4*	*1.5*	*1.7*	*1.5*
All-Items Exclud. Alcohol & Tobacco	93.7	94.7	96.5	98.1	100.0	102.0	103.9	106.0	107.8	109.7	[redacted]
% change from previous year	*-1.6*	*1.1*	*1.9*	*1.7*	*1.9*	*2.0*	*1.9*	*2.0*	*1.7*	*1.8*	[redacted]
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	95.2	95.8	96.7	97.7	100.0	101.8	103.6	105.2	106.6	108.2	109.3
% change from previous year	*0.6*	*0.6*	*0.9*	*1.0*	*2.4*	*1.8*	*1.8*	*1.5*	*1.3*	*1.5*	*1.0*

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